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Ms. Terrell:

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, perfected on May 23, 2019, for documents relating to solicitation SP4701-16-R-0088. Your request was assigned FOIA case tracking number DLA-LANDM-2019-002449.

DLA conducted a thorough search of records and following extensive review has determined that portions of those records must be withheld pursuant to Exemption 4 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(4), trade secrets and privileged or confidential commercial and financial information obtained from a person; and Exemption 6 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(6), personnel and medical files and similar files when the disclosure of such information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Exemption 4 of the FOIA protects from release two types of records: (1) trade secrets; and (2) information that is commercial or financial obtained from a person and is privileged or confidential. Following the Supreme Court decision in Food Marketing Institute v. Argus Leader Media, 139 S. Ct. 2356 (2019), if the submitter of the contract related records being sought can demonstrate to the Government that the records in question are “customarily kept private, or at least closely held, by the person imparting it,” and that “the party receiving it [i.e., the Federal Government] provide[d] some assurance that it will remain secret,” then the records are subject to withholding under Exemption 4. Exemption 6 of the FOIA protects the privacy interests of employees who are at or below the directorate level or are not in the public domain. Therefore, the names of certain individuals are withheld.

Fees in the amount of \$120.00 are currently due. This fee amount includes 2.5 hours of professional search and review at \$48.00 per hour. **For greater payment efficiency, our agency no longer accepts mailed checks and money orders. Please go to [pay.gov](https://pay.gov) for payment check, credit or debit options.** Please go to the website, place “DLA” in the search, scroll down and choose DFAS Columbus Form 6335. Your case information should be in the comments or details section of the form. **Attached for your convenience is a step-by-step instruction guide for using pay.gov.** Please email your payment confirmation (receipt) to [Foia\\_payment@dla.mil](mailto:Foia_payment@dla.mil), so we can properly credit your FOIA account.

You have the right to appeal this partial denial. An appeal must be made in writing to DLA FOIA Appellate Authority within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter, and no later than 5:00 pm Eastern Standard Time. The appeal should include your reasons for reconsideration and enclose a copy of this letter. An appeal may be submitted on <https://foiaonline.gov>, or mailed. Appeals are to be addressed to the:

Information Governance and Compliance Office  
Defense Logistics Agency, Suite 1326  
ATTN: FOIA Appeal  
8725 John J. Kingman Road  
Fort Belvoir, Virginia 22060-6221

As part of the 2007 FOIA amendments, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) was created to offer mediation services. Similarly, as part of the FOIA Improvement Act of 2016, DLA established a FOIA Public Liaison to offer mediation services. Both OGIS and the DLA Public Liaison will assist in resolving disputes between FOIA requesters and DLA as a non-exclusive alternative to appeal. Using OGIS or the DLA FOIA Public Liaison does not affect your right to pursue appeal nor does it stay the appeal clock. You may contact OGIS or the DLA Public Liaison in any of the following ways:

DLA FOIA Public Liaison  
Lewis Oleinick, CIPP/US/G  
Suite 1552, Room 1567  
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8725 John J. Kingman Rd.  
Fort Belvoir, VA 22060-6221  
571-767-6194 (w)  
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Office of Government Information Services  
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Should you have any questions or require further information, please contact Tyler J. Stewart, DLA FOIA Officer, at 614-692-9066 or [Tyler.Stewart@dla.mil](mailto:Tyler.Stewart@dla.mil). Please reference your case tracking number DLA-LANDM-2019-002449 in any subsequent communication regarding this request.

Sincerely,



ROBERT A. RATNER  
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